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San Diego Public Library to Host Exhibit Commemorating Warsaw Uprising of 1944

SAN DIEGO – The City of San Diego Public Library and the Polish Consulate will present a photography exhibit at the Central Library that commemorates the 1944 Warsaw Uprising of the Polish Home Army. The exhibit opens Friday, Sept. 2, at the Central Library and continues through Friday, Sept. 30.

The 40 photographs were taken during the 63 days of the 1944 Warsaw Uprising of the Polish Home Army. More than 200,000 Poles died during the tragic battle, which was staged after five years of brutal German occupation. The city of Warsaw was destroyed almost completely.

The main part of the exhibition consists of documentary photos, maps and text describing the stages and circumstances of the extraordinary 63-day struggle. It also pays tribute to the American airmen who died flying mission over Warsaw in September 1944. In conjunction with the exhibit the documentary film, "Honor of the City" – produced by the American Institute of Polish Culture – will be shown at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25.

The main exhibition was commissioned by the Polish Consulate in Los Angeles and prepared by a Polish-American design team based in California. The exhibit was compiled in cooperation with historians in the United States and Poland.

The exhibit will be shown in the lobby of the Central Library, located at 820 E St. in downtown San Diego. For more information, call the Central Library at 619-236-5800 or visit the Library on the City's Web site at http://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/.

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